



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 02481.1403-02

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Ulrich Stache et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1616  
Application No.: 08/897,455 ) Examiner: B. Radio  
CPA Filed: May 31, 2001 )  
For: Corticoid-17,21-dicarboxylic esters and corticosteroid )  
17-carboxylic ester 21-carbonic esters, processes for )  
their preparation and pharmaceuticals containing )  
these compounds )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**Amendment**

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated March 9, 2004, and is  
accompanied by the filing of a Request for Continued Examination. Please reconsider  
this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.